

In the Claims

Please add new Claims 44-58.

44. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 15 wherein the tip further comprises a body portion, the sound port attached to the body portion.

45. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 44 wherein the tip comprises a first durometer material, a second durometer material and a third durometer material, the first durometer material being more compliant than the second durometer material and the third durometer material being less compliant than the second durometer material.

46. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 45 wherein the first durometer material forms the mushroom shaped portion of the tip.

47. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 45 wherein the second durometer material forms the sound port of the tip.

48. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 45 wherein the third durometer material forms the body portion of the tip.

49. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 40 wherein the tip further comprises a body portion, the sound port attached to the body portion.

50. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 49 wherein the tip comprises a first durometer material, a second durometer material and a third durometer material, the first durometer material being more compliant than the second durometer material and the third durometer material being less compliant than the second durometer material.

51. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 49 wherein the first durometer material forms the mushroom shaped portion of the tip.

52. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 49 wherein the second durometer material forms the sound port of the tip.

53. (New) The hearing aid of Claim 49 wherein the third durometer material forms the body portion of the tip.

54. (New) A tip for a hearing aid comprising at least two materials, a first material having a first durometer and a second material having a second durometer, the first durometer of the first material being less than the second durometer of the second material.

55. (New) The tip of Claim 54 wherein the first material comprises a mushroom shaped portion of the tip.

56. (New) The tip of Claim 54 wherein the second material comprises a sound bore of the tip.

57. (New) The tip of Claim 54 further comprising a third material having a third durometer, the third durometer of the third material being greater than the second durometer of the second material.

58. (New) The tip of Claim 57 wherein the third material comprises a body portion of the tip.